

## FILL THE GAP (FTG) APPLICATION

### A. APPLICANT INFORMATION

1. COURT NAME: GILA COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT		
2. CONTACT PERSON: JON BEARUP	3. TITLE: DEPUTY COURT ADMINISTRATOR	
4. ADDRESS (STREET, CITY, STATE, ZIP): 1400 E. ASH ST, GLOBE, AZ 85501		
5. PHONE: 928 402 8672	6. FAX: 928 425 3605	7. E-MAIL ADDRESS: JBEARUP@COURTS.AZ.GOV

### B. BUDGET INFORMATION

8. PROJECT TITLE: PAYSON NETWORK UPGRADE		
9. BEGIN DATE: DECEMBER 1, 2014		END DATE: JUNE 30, 2015
10. AMOUNT STATE FTG REQUESTED: \$ 10000.00	AMOUNT LOCAL FTG REQUESTED: \$	LOCAL BALANCE (COURT PORTION): \$ As Of: (CERTIFIED BY LOCAL FINANCE)
11. OTHER ACTIVE APPROVED GRANTS FOR FTG (STATE \$ AMOUNT): \$3750.00		
12. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEW REQUEST	<input type="checkbox"/> CONTINUE PROJECT – TIME & \$ <input type="checkbox"/> CONTINUE PROJECT – ADDITIONAL STAFF  GPT #	<input type="checkbox"/> EXTEND PROJECT MORE TIME NO ADDITIONAL FUNDS  GPT #

### C. PROJECT INFORMATION

#### 13. DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT PLAN.

SECURE FUNDING TO ALLOW IMPLEMENTATION AND UTILIZATION OF "GOVNET" SERVICES TO IMPROVE NETWORK SPEED FOR PAYSON COURT-USERS.

**14. DESCRIBE THE NEED FOR THIS PROJECT AND HOW THE EXPENDITURE OF THESE MONIES WILL ADDRESS THE NEED.**

The computer infrastructure / network supporting the Payson Justice Court, the Clerk of Court's Payson Offices, and the Payson Probation Office suffers periodic delays and intermittent freezes which negatively impacts criminal case processing in a variety of ways:

- The Clerk of Court's Payson office routinely accepts and files motions and pleadings on criminal matters which are then scanned and emailed to offices in Globe; the network's dreadful speed often complicates these transmissions. Minute entries produced in AJACS are distributed via email; the lag time often results in loss of productivity and unreliable delivery.
- The Payson Justice Court is adversely affected by slow speeds when accessing the case management system, AZTEC, resulting in delays when providing information about a case to parties or law enforcement agencies and accepting payments. When the Justice of the Peace requires criminal case information from the bench, she is often forced to wait minutes while the clerk accesses AZTEC.
- The Payson Probation Office relies upon the internet to research Public Access and look up statutes relating to Presentence Reports. Often a Probation Officer will be meeting with a client and request information from AJACS; the slow turnaround prolongs these meetings. Network speeds frustrate the timeliness of Probation reporting, particularly when Pretrial Service results must get to the Judge or Presentence Reports need to be filed with the Clerk's Office. Large emails containing police reports are sometimes not received or returned as undeliverable.

With GovNet services in place, it is anticipated that the improved network speed will alleviate the lag-time that court-users face when accessing computer systems and applications. Once free of these delays, Payson court personnel will realize improved efficiency in day-to-day operations and be able to allocate more time to provide services associated with criminal case processing.

**15. LIST THE PROJECT'S PERFORMANCE MEASURES.**

AS OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2014, SUPERVISORY STAFF IN THE PAYSON JUSTICE COURT, THE CLERK OF COURT'S PAYSON OFFICE, AND THE PAYSON PROBATION OFFICE HAVE BEEN TRACKING SYSTEM FAILURES AND PERIODS OF SLOWNESS. THE SELECTED STAFF MEMBERS ARE DOCUMENTING SEVERITY OF DELAY OR FREEZE, WHICH APPLICATION THEY WERE WORKING IN AT THE TIME, AND ANY ADDITIONAL COMPLICATIONS. ONCE THIS DATA IS PROVIDED TO GILA COUNTY COURT ADMINISTRATION, FREQUENCY OF OCCURRENCE WILL BE DOCUMENTED. THIS DATA WILL COLLATED IN A SPREADSHEET FORMAT MONTHLY.

AFTER IMPLEMENTATION OF GOVNET SERVICES, WE WILL CONTINUE TO TRACK ANY REPORTED DELAYS AND PLOT THE RESULTS ON A SPREADSHEET FOR COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS MONTHS.

**D. BUDGET (SUPERIOR COURT) (SEE ATTACHMENT FOR COMPLETE BREAKDOWN OF PROPOSED EXPENDITURE).**

PERSONNEL	\$	
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	\$	10000.00
TRAVEL	\$	
OTHER OPERATING	\$	
OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$	
COMPUTER EQUIPMENT	\$	
TOTAL	\$	10000.00
PLEASE ENTER THE PORTION IN SECTION D. TOTAL THAT WAS PREVIOUSLY FUNDED BY LOCAL OR COUNTY FUNDS PRIOR TO 7/1/09. (SESSION LAW H.B. 2010, SUSPENDING A.R.S. 12-102.02 AND 12-102.03)		
	\$	

<b>E. BUDGET (CLERK OF THE COURT)</b>	
PERSONNEL	\$ _____
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	\$ _____
TRAVEL	\$ _____
OTHER OPERATING	\$ _____
OFFICE EQUIPMENT/FURNITURE	\$ _____
COMPUTER EQUIPMENT	\$ _____
TOTAL	\$ _____
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<b>F. BUDGET (JUSTICE COURT)</b>	
PERSONNEL	\$ _____
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	\$ _____
TRAVEL	\$ _____
OTHER OPERATING	\$ _____
OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$ _____
COMPUTER EQUIPMENT	\$ _____
TOTAL	\$ _____
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**I. SIGNATURES OF SUBMITTING PARTIES**

☒ AGREE  
☐ DISAGREE (ATTACH EXPLANATION)

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 PRESIDING JUDGE SUPERIOR COURT

9-17-14  
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 DATE

CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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 DATE

**PETER J. CAHILL**

PLEASE PRINT NAME


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 CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

9-17-14  
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 PRESIDING JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

9-15-14  
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ANITA ESCOBEDO  
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Dorothy A. Little  
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**RETURN COMPLETE APPLICATION AND SEND TO:**  
**JERRI MEDINA, GRANT SPECIALIST**  
**COURT SERVICES DIVISION**  
**ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS**  
**1501 W. WASHINGTON, SUITE 410**  
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